Dear Les, 6/13/82

The stereotyped treatment of the 10th Watergate anniversary in today's Post reminds me of many important Watergate stories never told, never investigated by any body and I think of some significance. However, I don't know anyone who might be interested. So, maybe they will become part of our untold history, save that perhaps some day, if anyone ever blunders into that portion of my files that are much too voluminous for anyone ever to read, they may be of interest to him in the dim future.

The whole Howard Hunt story has never been told. Helms perjured himself about Hunt. But we now know that such perjury is merely the highest patriotism. If by the Helmses and Kleindienstes.

Hunt was engaged in illegal domestic activities for the CIA beginning several years before Watergate. I suspect but cannot prove that he then had something to do with my inability tonget my first book published. I do have a definite link.

Helms testified that the CIA recommended Hunt to the Mullen agency when he decided to retire and thus he got his job with Mullen in about 1971. The truth is that Hunt was with Mullen <u>while</u> he was CIA. In fact, Mullen then was CIA. Had been for years. Hunt and Mullen had the same cover addressed in DC at least when he was trying to branch out on his own with some kind of p.r outfit. During that time two other Mullen/CIA people are of special interest. One is the fag lawyer who showed up to represent the Watergate burglars when they were arrested. Hunt was his associate in the campaign to impeach Douglas, which also had the Mullen address. (When the burglars got to DC they had a map showing them how to get to his home.) The other, who disappeared from Washington as soon as they were arrested, also had a Mexico City address that coincides with the address of the Mexican lawyer who laundered the money. I've got the names in my files. So, there are CIA links to both the campaign to impeach Douglas and the laundering of that money. If not also

to non-publishing operations. That the CIA got books published is well known now. But that they kept them from being published?

In 1965 the Saturday Evening Post wanted the rights to my first book. But they wanted to deal with me through an agent. I didn't have one. So I was sent to Max Wilkinson, with a deal already arranged, save for the details. Wilkinson read the book and called me up is great excitement, he liked it that much. Six weeks later he wrote me that the book was not publishable and that it was not suited to serialization.

It happens that Max Wilkinson, of Littauer and Wilkinson, agents, was also Hunt's cover address in New York, then 500 Fifth Avenue. Then with a phoney Washington address, that of the Mullen agency, Hunt "represented" Littauer and Wilkinson in Washington - while he was CIA, in the 1960s.

It also happens that there were CIA foundation fronts that include Littauers. I've not been able to investigate to see if they are identical Littauers, but that is not exactly a common name.

It also happens that I wrote the first book with serialization in mind, that it lent itself to the separate use of individual chapters, for one of which I got the highest price a magazine had paid, $1.00 more than it paid Hemmingway. And it was serialized in Europe. So Wilkinson lied - after raving.

My first knowledge of the Mullen agency goes back to the 1960s, when it shared addresses in Washington and elsewhere with the publication of another CIA guy named William George Gaudet, who launched one of the very earliest and phoney "red" scares when JFK was killed. (In new Orleans he was in Clay Shaw's building.)

The "Plumbers" was not the first such operation the Nixonians planned. I have the Colson letter urging that he established a so-called p.r. outfit under White House auspices. He then was still in CIA.

There is much more. These are only a few of the things that come to a tiring mind.

Apparently the Post decided to limit itself to getting rid of Nixon. If so, that is understandable, even if I don't agree with it. Bernstein and Woodward kept saying they wanted some of these leads, but they never followed up on them, meaning those I gave them. I've indicated some of the results when I did.

Life is full of coincidences. One is that the Post's counsel also was on the U.S. Intelligence Board and handled one of the CIA's dirtier cases. When our paths crossed, as they did, he hurt me badly. Not knowing these things about him, I took a case already won to him, with the only matter establishing the amount of damages. He let the statute of limitations run.

God knows what the whole story is but how much can be covered up, given what is known, with any meaningful freedom surviving? Any decency and integrity in government?

I know you stay busy with your own endeavors and I understand that they are now fiction. That must be much more peaceful! But if you know anyone who might have some responsible use for this kind of info, please let me know.

Meanwhile, the invitation stands - and the pool is in use.

Best wishes,